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WEATHER
Tonight and Sunday unsettled, probably showers.
YESTERDAY'S WEATHER DATA.
Maximum temperature, 80; minimum, 56; rainfall, .01; wind, east; fresh; weather, cloudy, threatening.

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Giant Offensive is Begun By Allies

MEXICAN REPLY WILL NOT BE IN A DEFIANT TONE

Advices Today Indicate That Carranza Does Not Seek to Provoke Trouble Between Two Nations.

WITHDRAWAL NOT MENTIONED

De Facto Head Merely Emphasizes His Opinion That He Considers Presence of the American Troops As An Infringement Upon the Sovereignty of His Country.

GALVESTON, July 1.—Mexican soldiers fired on sailors from the American gunboat Salem at Tamatico Tuesday, wounding two, declared refugees arriving in the steamer Dade.

WASHINGTON, July 1.—Advices today indicated that Carranza will not adopt a defiant tone in answering Wilson's demand. Instead he will send a firm not emphasizing that he considers the presence of American troops in Mexico an infringement upon the sovereignty of his country.

The United Press informant, whose information heretofore has proven correct, indicated that the Carranza answer will not bring a breach between the nations. In some quarters it was suggested that the note may open the way to mediation.

Aguilar's statement, published yesterday, was interpreted as intended for home consumption. Despite the language of the statement, state department officials said that the Mexican reply manifestly was milder than Carranza's first note. It does not demand the withdrawal of the American expedition, though it suggests it has no right to stay.

The note had not reached the state department at noon. Officials thought that the efforts of South American, European and American diplomats to swing Carranza into line might result fruitfully.

MEXICO CITY, July 1.—Mexican newspapers today vigorously approved Aguilar's statement yesterday refuting the assertions in the American note.

GALVESTON, July 1.—The steamer Dade arrived with 200 refugees from Vera Cruz. A thousand other refugees landed today and a thousand more are expected tomorrow.

Walla Walla Gets Bitulithic Work at \$1.29 Per Yard

WALLA WALLA, Wash., July 1.—Paving contracts for all except the Ninth, Edith avenue and Thirteenth street job, were let by the city commission yesterday to the Warren Construction company of Portland for its well known bitulithic pavement, which will be laid on Chase avenue and Birch street, Newell street to Park and Bryant avenue, a total of about 15 blocks, at a total cost of about \$30,000.

The Warren Construction company has contracted to lay this pavement at the cheapest cost it has ever quoted in the northwest, according to its representative. This cost is \$1.29 per square yard, or ten cents lower than bid by the company earlier in the year. It must be remembered, however, that all the bids this time were for gravel bases, while the most successful pavements of the larger cities are on concrete bases.

Other paving plans were also laid by the commission when it passed a resolution declaring intention to pave Chase avenue from the city limits on Harrison street to Orchard street, so as to take the pavement up to the fair grounds gate; and when it gave two readings to an ordinance for pavement on Roosevelt street from Isaac avenue to Alder street, 16 feet wide.

The South African Journal of Science records the steps that have been taken at the suggestion of the South African Association for the Advancement of Science to obtain legislation in various countries relative to the preservation of meteorites in the interest of science.

Mrs. Knight Dies After Illness of Nearly Half Year

DAUGHTER OF MR. AND MRS. LA FONTAINE SUCCEEDS AT HOME OF PARENTS.

Following an illness that had made her an invalid for nearly six months, Pauline Louise Knight, wife of Alvin P. Knight, prominent young farmer, and eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gustave La Fontaine, pioneer residents, died last night about 10 o'clock at the home of her parents on Jackson street.

The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock at St. Mary's Catholic church, with interment in Olive cemetery following. Rev. Father De Rop will conduct the funeral services. The active pallbearers will be Fred W. Lampkin, Henry W. Collins, Carl Cooley, Roy Alexander, George C. Bar and Marshall Spell. The honorary pallbearers will be W. L. Thompson, Frank Carl, J. N. Burgess, W. J. Clarke and E. J. Murphy.

Deceased would have been 26 years old next fall, having been born November 16, 1890. She was born in this city, secured her education at St. Joseph's academy and the local high school, and spent practically all of her life here until her marriage, Oct. 6, 1915, to Mr. Knight, who was then farming in Alberta.

They returned to Pendleton in September, 1914. Early in the year she became ill and her illness developed into inflammation of the spinal cord. Physicians both in this city and Portland were unable to cope with the disease.

Mrs. Knight, both as girl and young matron, was very popular in Pendleton society and her untimely death will be sincerely mourned by a large circle of friends.

Besides her husband and parents, she is survived by a 17 months old daughter, Sylvia, a brother, George La Fontaine, and two sisters, Olga and Helen La Fontaine, all of this city.

Miss Merle Best Will be Goddess of Liberty Here

DAUGHTER OF MAYOR TO TAKE PROMINENT PART IN FOURTH CELEBRATION.

Miss Merle Best, daughter of Mayor and Mrs. Best, will be the Goddess of Liberty for the Pendleton Fourth of July celebration. It was announced today. With her in the official car will ride Misses Eula Simpson, Dorothy Newberry and Flossie Penland, representing Peace, Plenty and Columbia.

Another float, built upon an auto truck, will bear thirteen other girls representing the thirteen original states. These girls have not all been selected yet but a committee of which Miss Edith Power is chairman, is getting them this afternoon. Their car will be driven by Alfred Fitz Gerald as Uncle Sam. Another car will bear George and Martha Washington.

Swiss Tension Continues. GENEVA, July 1.—The tension between Switzerland and Germany regarding food and cotton continues. The Swiss government has asked for a further delay, but Germany demands the immediate delivery of 32,000 bales of cotton sequestered in Switzerland and also free food trade on the frontier, which the entente allies prohibit. Failure to receive coal from Germany would greatly affect Switzerland, which now imports daily 65,000 tons of German coal.

Local Men Wanted to Fill Vacancies in Third Oregon

Camp Withycombe, Portland, Ore., July 1, 1916.

Postmaster, Pendleton, Ore. Seven hundred recruits required at once to ship to border to fill vacancies Third Infantry, Oregon National Guard, between ages of 18 and 35. Should apply in person without delay to United States mustering officer, Chickamaugus, Oregon. Please give this information to local newspapers and post in conspicuous place. Will thank you to cooperate with me in this movement.

WILLIAMS, Mustering Officer for State of Oregon.

Rural Credit Amendment of Vital Importance to State

Pendleton, Ore., July 1

Editor East Oregonian:

The rural credit constitutional amendment initiated by "The Oregon Referendum League" is the most important measure before the people of this state now. This bill is the result of a conference of 55 men appointed by the governor, the irrigation and drainage conference, Farmers' Union State Grange, Federation of Labor Chambers of Commerce, commercial clubs, bankers' associations, agricultural college and state university.

This very representative body of men was presided over by A. L. Mills, banker and leading financier of the state, as president, and J. D. Brown, state president of the Farmers' Union, vice president.

This conference met in Salem and appointed the committee that drafted this bill. It is carefully drawn and especially fitted to the needs of the state of Oregon.

Under its provisions, a class of credit can be taken care of that has heretofore been neglected or charged exorbitant rates of interest. When resident and real farmers can obtain small loans for reasonable purposes at a low rate of interest, it will have the effect of making money easier in all other lines, thus helping everyone.

It will not cost the state anything, but will be a source of income. Since the security must be twice as much as the loan, and the interest charged will be more than the bonds sell for.

W. W. HARRAH.

Death-Defying Thriller is on Program for Celebration to be Held Here on the 4th

CLONDBURST TAKES TOLL OF 4 LIVES

WALL OF WATER SWEEPS DOWN RAY CANYON; BODIES ARE RECOVERED.

MORO, Ore., July 1.—The bodies of four victims of the clondburst in Ray Canyon were recovered today. A wall of water 20 feet high swept the canyon at 6 o'clock last night. Mrs. Fortner and her daughter, Mrs. Lawrence, occupying a ranch house near Monkland were inside the house when the flood struck. The house was carried away and demolished. The body of Mrs. Lawrence was found four miles away. Mrs. Fortner was found nine miles down the valley this morning.

Three men who were camped in a tent under a hillside, repairing a road, fled to a nearby knoll when water swept the tent away. Seeing higher water coming the two crossed a ravine and attempted to reach higher ground. One was entangled in a brush and drowned. The other pulled himself safely away. A third remained on the knoll, was swept away and killed. The men's bodies were found three miles downstream.

MEXICANS ARE ASKED TO RETURN AT ONCE

NEW YORK, June 29.—American Consul Burns received an order from Carranza directing that all Mexicans of military age return to their country. He refused to comment on the order, except to point out that the United States already had ordered its citizens from Mexico.

NEWS SUMMARY

General.
Villistas start giant offensive; British take 16 miles of German trenches.
Mexican note will not be defiant in tone.
Local.
Head-on collision between autos arranged for Fourth.
Mrs. Alvin P. Knight dies following long illness.
Idaho recruiting officer here again.
Arrests for first half year fall off 75 per cent.
Big tennis tournament opens here tomorrow.

Idaho Guardsman Here to Recruit Men for Militia

PRIVATE ERSKINE WILL REMAIN IN CITY IN INTERESTS OF COMPANY E.

Eager for more recruits, Private Fred Erskine of Co. E of Grandville, Idaho, is in Pendleton today and will remain here for two or three days. He is a special recruiting officer for the adjutant general of Idaho and will probably go on to northern Idaho from here.

Co. E is the same company in which 26 Pendletonians recently enlisted and it was at their request Private Erskine stopped over here. Private recruits will be enlisted in conformance with the new act of congress. Private Erskine brings the news that the Idaho troops will probably leave for El Paso, Texas, next Tuesday. All the Pendleton men are in the spirit, he states, and are eager for active service. One of their number, J. H. Boles, formerly an O. A. C. cadet, has been made a corporal.

The recruiting officer is 45 and has a son 18 in the same company. He states that the company is still about 60 men short of full war strength. Reports from Portland are that valley companies will also look to eastern Oregon to supply recruits to bring the Third Oregon up to war strength.

Man Who Started Sunday "Pops" is Visitor in City

G. W. WALKER, ASSISTING CHAUTAUQUA, SAYS VENTURE COST HIM \$10,000.

G. W. Walker, of Portland, former well-known figure in the musical world and who still retains the friendship of many of the most prominent theatrical men and actors, is in Pendleton on a brief visit and while here has been assisting Superintendent Hendry who has charge of the chautauqua. Although Mr. Walker does not look more than a man of 40 he claims he is in the 60's. He retired from musical activity several years ago and is now in the real estate business in Portland.

At the outset of his career Mr. Walker at different times was manager of Brooks, Gilmore and Carr's bands and for several seasons directed the tour of Theodore Thomas' orchestra. Mr. Walker was also a singer of considerable ability. As a young man in Chicago he says that he originated the Sunday afternoon sacred concert, popularly called in the east "Pops" and in this venture lost \$10,000. Later the idea was taken up and developed by George Hamlin and became a remarkable success.

DANGER OF A BREAK IS SAID TO BE OVER

NOGALES, July 1.—Mexican families on the American side who have been encamped beside a refugee train were notified today that danger of a break between Mexico and the United States had passed and they might return to their homes in Arizona.

New Revenue Bill Shifts Burden to Other Shoulders

ACCUMULATED WEALTH AND BIG INCOMES WILL STAND BULK OF STRAIN.

WASHINGTON, July 1.—The income, inheritance and munitions taxes will pay the cost of preparedness. If there is a war, a bond issue will pay the cost.

Shifting the burdens almost entirely upon accumulated wealth and big incomes, the new revenue bill, introduced in the house today, is epoch-making, administration leaders believe. It will establish a national inheritance tax as a permanent part of the fiscal system of the country.

The bill will raise a hundred million dollars from incomes and sixty millions from inheritances and fifty millions from munitions.

The present income tax rate is boosted from one to two per cent. Surtaxes begin at twenty thousand and increase at the rate of one per cent in each classification until ten per cent has been levied on all incomes above a half million.

BRITISH CAPTURE 16 MILES OF GERMAN TRENCHES; FRENCH ARE ACTIVE ALONG WHOLE OF LINE

GERMANS RESUME DRIVE AT VERDUN BUT PARIS STATEMENT SAYS ATTACKS REPULSED; BRITISH ARE HOLDING GAINS ALONG SOMME SECTOR; LONDON WILD WITH EXCITEMENT OVER ANNOUNCEMENT THAT GREAT OFFENSIVE IS BEGUN.

LONDON, July 1.—The allies supreme offensive began at 7:30 o'clock this morning with simultaneous attacks by the British and French. Two hours after the assaults began the British had captured 16 miles of German forward trenches north of the Somme.

A British statement declared that the French gains were "equally satisfactory." Paris did not announce the results. The British attack on a 20 mile front followed the most terrific four day bombardment in the history of the world. While firmly holding the captured trenches the British are pressing forward farther.

The British statement said: "At 9:30 we had occupied the German front line, digging in behind rows of German dead. The British casualties thus far are not heavy." The official statements were fragmentary.

The drive began a few hours after the Germans had launched the most powerful onslaughts against Verdun. Paris announced that the Germans were repulsed everywhere, except where they had recaptured Thiaumont.

Many prisoners were taken, but it was impossible to obtain estimates of the captured or the losses. On the remainder of the front, British raiding parties continued to harass the Germans, penetrating their defenses at several points.

At two o'clock this afternoon the war office issued a warning that people should not travel on the continent unless they had the most serious business. Everybody going to the continent was warned that they must undergo the strictest examination under the passport regulations and a close search of persons and baggage.

Describing this morning's attack, the Chronicle correspondent wired: "All the horizon beyond where I stood was darkened by fumes of shells. Not a minute passed without the crash of high explosives. Raids followed the shellfire at many points and brought forth sufficient prisoners for identification of the regiments and divisions confronting the British. The effect of the British artillery on the German troops was deadly. Some prisoners say they have not eaten in three days owing to the heavy fire which prevented supplies reaching them."

GERMANS RESUME VERDUN DRIVE

PARIS, July 1.—The Germans resumed their drive on Verdun today by most powerful attacks on both banks of the Meuse. The most violent fighting in weeks has developed northwest of the fortress. In a series of attacks west of the Meuse, the Germans captured fortified works and some connecting trenches east of hill 304, but French counter-attacks ousted them. East of the Meuse the Germans penetrated Thiaumont again. The redoubt itself was entirely smashed by the terrific artillery fire.

The British have captured Serre and Montauban, it was semi-officially announced. The French captured Curyl and the Savier wood, advancing two kilometers. A further statement announced the capture of La Bolelle and declared that the English would hold the ground at North Frycourt while attacking Beaumont-hamel.

London newspapers in the largest and blackest type announced that the great allied offensive had begun. The French hold the east part of Contalmaison, four miles northwest of Albert and are now fighting around Mametz, six miles east of Albert.

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